

Topic.2 Communication with Stakeholders

Discussion Points

1. The NRA would like to explore various ways to better communicate with stakeholders, for example, in order to promote social understanding of the NRA's new inspection program, and to share common understanding with licensees regarding application of the new regulatory requirements including back-fitting.
2. The NRA continues to have communication with stakeholders as the NRA has done since its establishment.

Thinking of the situation above, how does the NRA improve its communication in the future?

Reference Materials

- (1) Provisions to ensure transparency of the NRA Japan
- (2) Summary of NRA's efforts toward communication with stakeholders
- (3) Detailed information on NRA's communication (from NRA annual report 2018 FY)
- (4) Opinion Exchanges between NRA Commissioners and Licensees' CEOs
- (5) Specialized Safety Facility (SSF): Background

**Provisions to Ensure Transparency
of the Nuclear Regulation Authority, JAPAN**

○ Act for Establishment of the Nuclear Regulation Authority

Act No. 47 published in the Extra Official Gazette of June 27, 2012
(Information Disclosure)

Article 25 The Nuclear Regulation Authority shall secure the transparency in its operation through a thorough disclosure of the information that it holds with the aim of guaranteeing the public's right to know.

○ Supplementary Resolution on the Act for Establishment of the Nuclear Regulation Authority

5. The Nuclear Regulation Authority (NRA) shall ensure transparency by establishing rules for contact with external parties such as affiliated business as well as organizations promoting nuclear power plants for ensuring its independency and impartiality. In addition, the NRA shall promptly stipulate and disclose the items of related rules, platform and code of conduct on its impartiality, independency, openness, consistent accountability, prevention of conflicts of interest, its fair management and challenges for gaining public confidence and so on.

○ NRA's Core Values and Principles

Issued on January 9, 2013

Guiding Principles for activities

We in the NRA and its supporting Secretariat shall perform our duties diligently acting in accordance with the following principles.

(3) Open and Transparent Organization

We shall ensure transparency and appropriate information disclosure on regulations, including the decision making process.

We shall be open to all opinions and advice from Japan and the international community and avoid both self-isolation and self-righteousness.

○ The Policy on Ensuring the Operational Transparency of the Nuclear Regulation Authority

NRGA No. 120919096: Enacted by the Nuclear Regulation Authority on September 19, 2012

Chapter 1: Purpose

With regard to the regulatory operations carried out by the Nuclear Regulatory Authority (NRA), the policies for ensuring transparency in the operations of the NRA in relation to regulated parties, etc. were specified while taking into account the importance of ensuring the safety of the nuclear facilities and the public interests, etc. in order to strengthen the independence and neutrality of the operations as well as to avoid suspicion or mistrust.

Chapter 2: Basic policies for ensuring transparency

2. Thorough public discussion

With regard to meetings held by the NRA to discuss the details of regulations being considered (excluding those concerning administrative information sharing with regard to details such as scheduling and status reports), the details shall, in principle, be disclosed regardless of the type of meetings, and any discussions between regulated parties etc. about any details and procedures relating to the regulations shall be recorded and, in principle, also disclosed.

Summary of NRA's efforts toward communication with stakeholders

Communication with local residents

- "Basic Policy for visit of nuclear facilities by NRA Commissioners and exchange of opinions with local parties" (November 2017)
- NRA staff members explain important judgments such as revisions of regulatory standards and permission for amendment in Reactor Installation Permit to local residents and local councils (mayors, local assembly members, representatives of local residents, etc.).

Communication with licensees

- Opinion exchange between the NRA Commissioners and the CEOs of major nuclear facilities (2014-)
- Opinion exchange between the NRA Commissioners and the CNOs (Chief Nuclear Officers) of major nuclear facilities for the smooth introduction of new regulations and enhancing its predictability (2017-)

1. Opinion Exchange with Licensees**(1) Opinion Exchanges with Chief Executive Officers (CEOs) on Safety Improvements**

Date	Nuclear Licensees
May 30, 2018	TEPCO Holdings
August 29, 2018	Electric Power Development Co.
December 17, 2018	Shikoku Electric Power
January 29, 2019	Japan Atomic Energy Agency
February 18, 2019	Japan Nuclear Fuel Ltd.

(2) Opinion Exchanges with Chief Nuclear Officers (CNOs) of Licensees of Major Nuclear Facility Operators

Date	Nuclear Licensees	Main Issues of Discussions
August 3, 2018	Kansai Electric Power, Chubu Electric Power, TEPCO Holdings, Shikoku Electric Power, Federation of Electric Power Companies	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Sophistication of PRA by licensees · Establishment of “Atomic Energy Association” · Impacts of aging degradation of components and structures at nuclear power plants
January 10, 2019	Kansai Electric Power, Chubu Electric Power, TEPCO Holdings, Federation of Electric Power Companies	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Status of trial operation of nuclear regulatory inspection · Atomic Energy Association (ATENA) · Licensing procedure for safety improvement · Completion of Specialized Safety Facility within the time limit

(3) Visits to Nuclear Power Stations by NRA Commissioners

	Schedule	Purpose	Place of Visit (NPS, etc.)	Commissioner in Charge
1	April 19–20, 2018	On-site inspection	Shimane NPS, Chugoku Electric Power	Commissioner Yamanaka
2	May 11, 2018	On-site inspection	Shimane NPS, Chugoku Electric Power	Commissioner Tanaka
3	May 11, 2018	On-site investigation	Tokai Daini PS, Japan Atomic Power Co.	Commissioner Yamanaka
4	May 19, 2018	On-site inspection	Tomari PS, Hokkaido Electric Power	Chairman Fuketa, Commissioner Ban
5	June 7, 2018	On-site investigation	Reprocessing Facility, Japan Nuclear Fuel Ltd.	Commissioner Tanaka
6	June 21, 2018	Examination on-site investigation	Hyogo Earthquake Engineering Center, National Research Institute for Earth Science and Disaster Resilience	Commissioner Yamanaka
7	June 22, 2018	On-site investigation	Prototype Advanced Converter Reactor “Fugen,” Prototype Fast Breeder Reactor “Monju,” Japan Atomic Energy Agency	Commissioner Tanaka
8	June 30, 2018	On-site inspection	Prototype Fast Breeder Reactor “Monju,” Japan Atomic Energy Agency	Chairman Fuketa, Commissioner Yamanaka

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	Schedule	Purpose	Place of Visit (NPS, etc.)	Commissioner in Charge
9	July 12–13, 2018	On-site investigation	Takahama PS, Mihama PS, Kansai Electric Power	Commissioner Yamanaka
10	July 27, 2018	On-site investigation	Genkai NPS, Kyushu Electric Power	Commissioner Ishiwatari
11	August 2, 2018	On-site inspection	Nuclear Fuel Cycle Engineering Laboratories, Japan Atomic Energy Agency	Commissioner Tanaka
12	August 2, 2018	On-site inspection	Fukushima Daiichi NPS, TEPCO Holdings	Commissioner Ban
13	August 3, 2018	On-site investigation	Oarai Research and Development Institute, Japan Atomic Energy Agency	Commissioner Tanaka
14	October 1, 2018	On-site inspection	Ohi PS, Kansai Electric Power	Commissioner Yamanaka
15	October 5, 2018	On-site	Fukushima Daiichi NPS, TEPCO Holdings	Chairman Fuketa
16	October 11–12, 2018	On-site investigation	Tomari PS, Hokkaido Electric Power	Commissioner Ishiwatari
17	October 19, 2018	On-site inspection	Reprocessing Facility, Japan Nuclear Fuel Ltd.	Commissioner Ban
18	October 19, 2018	On-site inspection	Kumatori works, Nuclear Fuel Industries, Ltd.; Nuclear Science Research Institute, Kyoto Univ.	Commissioner Tanaka
19	October 25–26, 2018	On-site inspection	Kagoshima Environmental Radiation Monitoring Center; Sendai NPS, Kyushu Electric Power	Commissioner Ban, Commissioner Yamanaka
20	October 29, 2018	On-site investigation	Koshihata Basin, Kyoto City (investigation of volcanic ash distribution)	Commissioner Ishiwatari
21	November 2, 2018	On-site inspection	Horonobe Underground Research Center, Japan Atomic Energy Agency	Commissioner Tanaka
22	November 9, 2018	On-site inspection	Fukushima Daiichi NPS, TEPCO Holdings	Commissioner Tanaka
23	November 15–16, 2018	On-site investigation	Oma Nuclear Construction Office, J-Power	Commissioner Ishiwatari
24	November 15–16, 2018	On-site investigation	Shimane NPS, Chugoku Electric Power	Commissioner Yamanaka
25	December 7, 2018	On-site investigation	Ohi PS, Kansai Electric Power	Commissioner Ishiwatari
26	December 13, 2018	On-site investigation	Prototype Fast Breeder Reactor “Monju,” Japan Atomic Energy Agency	Commissioner Tanaka
27	December 21, 2018	On-site investigation	Ningyo-toge Environmental Engineering Center, Japan Atomic Energy Agency	Commissioner Tanaka
28	December 26–27, 2018	On-site inspection	Nuclear Science Research Institute and Oarai Research and Development Institute, Japan Atomic Energy Agency	Chairman Fuketa
29	December 27, 2018	On-site inspection	Kashiwazaki-Kariwa NPS, TEPCO Holdings	Commissioner Yamanaka
30	January 11, 2019	On-site investigation	Japan Atomic Energy Agency Nuclear Science Research Institute	Commissioner Tanaka
31	January 18, 2019	On-site inspection	Reprocessing Facility, Japan Nuclear Fuel Ltd.	Commissioner Yamanaka
32	January 31 – February 1, 2019	On-site inspection	Ikata PS, Shikoku Electric Power	Commissioner Yamanaka
33	March 9, 2019	On-site inspection	Takahama PS, Kansai Electric Power	Chairman Fuketa
34	March 28–29, 2019	On-site inspection	Kashiwazaki-Kariwa NPS, TEPCO Holdings	Commissioner Yamanaka

2. Meetings and Opinion Exchange with Local Governments

(1) Meetings with Local Governments in FY2018

Date	Meeting with	NRA representative
May 14, 2018	Mayors of 22 municipalities (including Mayor of Tsuruga City), chairpersons of 18 municipal assemblies (including substitutions)	Deputy Director-General
May 22, 2018	Deputy Governor of Shiga Prefecture	Deputy Director-General
May 29, 2018	Governor of Ehime Prefecture	Secretary-General
May 29, 2018	Chairperson of the Niigata Prefectural Assembly, Chairperson of the Shizuoka Prefectural Assembly, Chairperson of the Shimane Prefectural Assembly, Chairperson of the Kagoshima Prefectural Assembly	Secretary-General
July 5, 2018	Mayor of Kasuga	Deputy Director-General
July 11, 2018	Mayor Omaezaki, Chairperson of the Omaezaki Municipal Assembly	Secretary-General
July 11, 2018	Mayor of Matsue	Secretary-General
July 12, 2018	Mayor of Mihama, Chairperson of the Mihama Municipal Assembly	Deputy Director-General
August 22, 2018	Governor of Shimane Prefecture	Secretary-General
August 27, 2018	Governor of Fukui Prefecture	Deputy Director-General
November 8, 2018	Governor of Shimane Prefecture, Chairperson of the Shimane Prefectural Assembly	Secretary-General
November 16, 2018	Chairperson of the Shizuoka Prefectural Assembly	Secretary-General
November 28, 2018	Mayors of Tomari, Iwanai, Kyowa, and Kamoenai	Deputy Director-General
December 20, 2018	Deputy Governor of Hokkaido	Deputy Director-General

(2) On-site Opinion Exchange between the NRA and Local Parties Concerned

Schedule	Description	Attendees	Commissioner in charge
June 18, 2018	Opinion exchange with local parties concerned on the regulation in general of Prototype Fast Breeder Reactor "Monju"	Governor of Fukui Prefecture	Chairman Fuketa
June 30, 2018	Opinion exchange with local parties concerned on regulatory issues relating to nuclear facilities	Mayors of Mihama, Wakasa, Obama, and Minamiechizen	Chairman Fuketa Commissioner Yamanaka
October 26, 2018	Opinion exchange with local parties concerned on regulatory issues relating to nuclear facilities	Governor of Kagoshima Prefecture, Mayors of Satsumasendai, Akune, and Hioki	Commissioner Yamanaka Commissioner Ban

(3) On-site Opinion Exchange between the NRA Secretariat and Local Parties Concerned

Date	Venue	Name of meeting/session	Main attendees
2018/4/12	Hokkaido	Hokkaido Disaster Prevention Council, Nuclear Disaster Prevention Task Force, Expert Committee	Experts
2018/9/3 –10/19	Aomori Prefecture	Opinion exchange meetings on nuclear power (Municipalities of Yomogita, Kazamaura, Noheji, Nanbu, Nishimeya, and Fukaura)	Local residents
2018/12/18	Aomori Prefecture	Aomori Prefecture Nuclear Policy Committee	Experts

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Date	Venue	Name of meeting/session	Main attendees
2019/2/22	Aomori Prefecture	FY2018 fourth meeting of Aomori Prefecture Nuclear Facilities Environmental Radiation Monitoring and Evaluation Council, Monitoring Subcommittee	Experts, members of the Prefectural Assembly, chairpersons of relevant Municipal Assemblies, local governments
2018/5/16 – 2019/2/13 (4 times)	Aomori Prefecture	Press explanation of Operational Safety Inspection results to Aomori reporters' association	Aomori reporters' association
2018/6/8 – 2019/3/1 (4 times)	Aomori Prefecture	Report of Operational Safety Inspection results	Local governments
2019/1/4	Aomori Prefecture	Greeting by newly appointed Higashidori NRA Regional Administrator	Heads of local governments, local governments
2018/5/15	Miyagi Prefecture	The Panel on the Safety of Unit 2 of the Onagawa NPS	Experts
2018/5/25	Miyagi Prefecture	FY2018 Meeting of Heads of Sections for Nuclear Administration	Local governments
2019/1/29	Miyagi Prefecture	Meeting of heads of local governments on UPZ	Heads of local governments
2018/6/25 – 2018/11/29 (18 times)	Fukushima Prefecture	Explanation to local residents on the re-consideration of deployment of real-time dose measuring systems	Local residents
2018/5/22 – 2019/1/24 (4 times)	Fukushima Prefecture	Prefectural Council for Ensuring the Safety of Reactor Decommissioning	Residents, representatives of organizations
2018/6/7 – 2019/2/7 (2 times)	Fukushima Prefecture	Fukushima Prefecture Labor Safety and Health Subcommittee	Local governments, experts
2018/6/14 – 2019/2/14 (4 times)	Fukushima Prefecture	Fukushima Prefecture Environmental Monitoring Evaluation Subcommittee	Local governments, experts
2019/4/27 – 2019/1/10 (3 times)	Fukushima Prefecture	Fukushima Prefecture Council on Decommissioning and Contaminated Water	Heads of local governments, representatives of organizations
2018/5/16 – 2019/1/25 (3 times)	Fukushima Prefecture	Fukushima Prefecture Decommissioning Safety Monitoring Council	Local governments, experts
2018/8/7 – 2019/10/2 (2 times)	Fukushima Prefecture	Naraha Nuclear Facility Monitoring Committee	Experts
2018/4/11 – 2019/3/6 (12 times)	Niigata Prefecture	Regional Panel for Ensuring Transparency of Kashiwazaki-Kariwa NPS	Experts, local governments, licensees
2018/8/28	Niigata Prefecture	Summer school on nuclear emergency preparedness	Heads of local governments, local governments, licensees
2018/9/10 – 2018/12/25 (2 times)	Niigata Prefecture	Niigata Prefecture Nuclear Emergency Evacuation Verification Committee	Experts, local governments, licensees
2018/10/29 – 2019/1/31 (6 times)	Niigata Prefecture	Municipal Study Group on Nuclear Safety Measures	Experts, local governments, licensees
2019/1/28	Niigata Prefecture	Confirmation of evacuation routes in nuclear emergencies	Heads of local governments, local governments
2019/2/6	Niigata Prefecture	Niigata Prefecture Nuclear Emergency Drill (desktop drill)	Heads of local governments, local governments, experts

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Date	Venue	Name of meeting/session	Main attendees
2018/12/13	Ibaraki Prefecture	Explanation of the results of the drill in emergency communication at the time of nuclear facility accidents and problems	Local governments, licensees
2019/1/13 – 2019/2/17 (6 times)	Ibaraki Prefecture	Explanation session to local residents on the results of the review of conformity to new regulations for Tokai Daini PS	Residents
2019/3/12 – 2019/3/26 (2 times)	Ibaraki Prefecture	Residents nuclear conference	Residents, local governments, licensees
2018/7/13	Kanagawa Prefecture	Kanagawa Prefecture Environmental Radiation Monitoring Committee	Local governments, licensees, experts
2018/10/22	Kanagawa Prefecture	Kawasaki Nuclear Facility Safety Committee Secretariat meeting	Local governments, licensees
2018/11/26	Kanagawa Prefecture	Kawasaki Nuclear Facility Safety Committee meeting	Local governments, licensees
2018/4/26 – 2019/1/30 (4 times)	Ishikawa Prefecture	Joint Meeting of Akasumi Area Committee and Safety Promotion Liaison Committee	Heads of local governments, representatives of residents
2018/4/26, 2018/11/1	Ishikawa Prefecture	Shika “Shika Nuclear Power Station” Safety Promotion Committee	Heads of local governments, representatives of residents
2018/7/3 – 2019/3/18 (4 times)	Ishikawa Prefecture	Ishikawa Prefecture Nuclear Environmental Safety Control Council	Experts, local governments
2019/3/26	Toyama Prefecture	Toyama Prefecture Disaster Prevention Council, Nuclear Emergency Response Subcommittee	Heads of local governments, experts, local governments
2018/8/2 – 2019/3/20 (4 times)	Fukui Prefecture	Fukui Prefecture Nuclear Environmental Safety Control Council	Members of the Prefectural Assembly, heads of local governments, representatives of organizations
2018/8/9 – 2019/3/15 (2 times)	Fukui Prefecture	Fukui Prefecture Expert Committee	Experts
2018/12/3	Fukui Prefecture	Mihama Nuclear Environmental Safety Monitoring Committee	Members of the Municipal Assembly, representatives of residents, experts
2018/10/19	Fukui Prefecture	Ohi-Takahama General Promotion Council	Members of the Municipal Assembly
2019/2/15	Fukui Prefecture	Wakasa Nuclear Power Station Environmental Safety Council	Members of the Municipal Assembly, representatives of residents
2019/3/27	Fukui Prefecture	Obama Nuclear Power Station Environmental Safety Council	Members of the Municipal Assembly, representatives of organizations
2019/1/21	Kyoto Prefecture	Community Council on Ohi NPS in Kyoto Prefecture	Heads of local governments
2018/6/1	Shiga Prefecture	Shiga Prefecture Nuclear Safety Liaison Council	Local governments, experts
2019/2/27	Gifu Prefecture	Gifu Prefecture Disaster Prevention Council, Nuclear Expert Subcommittee	Local governments, experts
2018/6/20 – H32/3/14 (4 times)	Shizuoka Prefecture	Omaezaki Special Panel on Nuclear Safety	Members of the Municipal Assembly
2018/5/11	Osaka Prefecture	First meeting of Kumatori Radiation Disaster Prevention Liaison Committee	Local governments, licensees

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2018/7/27	Osaka Prefecture	65th Kumatori Nuclear Issue Council	Vice Chairperson of the Municipal Assembly, community representatives
2018/7/31	Osaka Prefecture	FY2018 Izumisano Nuclear Issue Council	Members of the Municipal Assembly, representatives of residents
2019/2/7	Osaka Prefecture	66th Kumatori Nuclear Issue Council	Vice Chairperson of the Municipal Assembly, community representatives
2019/2/18	Osaka Prefecture	Meeting on emergency monitoring plan	Local governments
2019/3/28	Osaka Prefecture	Izumisano Disaster Prevention Council	Heads of local governments, etc.
2018/4/7	Osaka Prefecture	Open house of Off-site Center	Local residents
2018/5/17 2018/6/29 (3 times)	Okayama Prefecture	Explanation on renewal of Kamisaibara Promotion Center	Local governments, construction-related persons
2018/5/28 2019/2/26 (7 times)	Okayama Prefecture	Explanation on the Operational Safety Inspection results	Local governments
2018/9/21	Okayama Prefecture	Explanation on Tottori Prefecture Nuclear Emergency Response Drill	Local governments
2018/10/15, 2018/11/15	Okayama Prefecture	Explanation on Tottori Prefecture Nuclear Emergency Response Drill (TV conference)	Local governments
2019/1/25	Okayama Prefecture	Review meeting on Tottori Prefecture Nuclear Emergency Response Drill (TV conference)	Local governments
2018/12/7	Okayama Prefecture	Opinion exchange on fire protection	Tsuyama Area Firefighting Union
2018/5/30	Shimane Prefecture	FY2018 Unnan Disaster Prevention Council	Local governments, designated local administrative organs, designated local public services
2018/4/12 2019/3/18 (5 times)	Shimane Prefecture	Explanation of Operational Safety Inspection results	Local governments
2018/5/23 2019/3/6 (5 times)	Ehime Prefecture	Ikata Nuclear Power Station Environmental Investigation Technical Liaison Council	Local governments, licensees
2018/8/28, 2019/3/28 (2 times)	Ehime Prefecture	Ikata Nuclear Power Station Environment and Safety Management Committee, Environmental Safety Subcommittee	Experts
2018/8/28, 2019/3/28 (2 times)	Ehime Prefecture	Ikata Nuclear Power Station Environmental Safety Control Committee	Heads of local governments, local governments, experts
2018/7/9, 2018/11/19 (2 times)	Ehime Prefecture	Ikata Environmental Monitoring Committee	Heads of local governments, Members of the Municipal Assembly, representatives of residents
2018/5/30, H31/1/28	Saga Prefecture	Saga Prefecture Nuclear Environmental Safety Liaison Committee	Heads of local governments, representatives of residents
2018/5/22 H31/2/15 (3 times)	Kagoshima Prefecture	Satsuma Sendai City Nuclear Safety Measures Liaison Council	Heads of local governments, Members of Municipal Assemblies, representatives of residents

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Date	Venue	Name of meeting/session	Main attendees
2018/8/17, 2019/1/21	Kagoshima Prefecture	Nuclear Safety Measures Liaison Council	Heads of local governments
*In addition to those stated in the table, meetings of working groups of local nuclear preparedness councils and committees on radiation supervision or monitoring are occasionally held in related prefectures, and the personnel of the NRA Secretariat attend.			

3. Consultation and Opinion Exchange with Japanese and Foreign Experts

(1) Opinion Exchange with Domestic Experts

Date	Expert	Commissioner
July 9, 2018	Kiyoshi Kurokawa, Professor Emeritus, National Graduate Institute for Policy Studies (Former Chairman of the National Diet Accident Investigation Committee), Satoshi Ishibashi, Visiting Researcher, National Graduate Institute for Policy Studies (Former Deputy Investigation Head of the National Diet Accident Investigation Committee Secretariat)	Chairman Fuketa, Commissioner Yamanaka

(2) Opinion Exchange with Foreign Experts

Date	Expert	Commissioner
April 9, 2018	William D. Magwood, IV, Director General of OECD/NEA	Commissioner Yamanaka, Commissioner Ban
May 23, 2018	William D. Magwood, IV, Director General of OECD/NEA	Chairman Fuketa
June 22, 2018	Daniel Iracane, Deputy Director General of OECD/NEA	Chairman Fuketa
August 10, 2018	William D. Magwood, IV, Director General of OECD/NEA	Chairman Fuketa
October 29, 2018	Richard A. Meserve, International Nuclear Regulation Advisor Dana Drábová, International Nuclear Regulation Advisor Andy Hall, International Nuclear Regulation Advisor	Chairman Fuketa, Commissioner Tanaka, Commissioner Yamanaka, Commissioner Ban, Commissioner Ishiwatari
November 14, 2018	William D. Magwood, IV, Director General of OECD/NEA	Chairman Fuketa
November 28, 2018	Daniel Iracane, Deputy Director General of OECD/NEA	Chairman Fuketa
November 30, 2018	Massimo Aparo, Deputy Director General and Head of the Department of Safeguards, IAEA	Chairman Fuketa
January 31, 2019	William D. Magwood, IV, Director General of OECD/NEA	Chairman Fuketa

(3) Opinion Exchange with Foreign Regulators

Date	Participant	Commissioner
July 23, 2018 – July 29, 2018	Kristine Svinicki, Chairman of U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) Michael Binde, President of Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission (CNSC)	Chairman Fuketa
September 3, 2019 – September 4, 2018	Sixth Japan-France Regulator Meeting Pierre-Franck Chevet, President of Nuclear Safety Authority (ASN), France Sylvie Cadet-Mercier, Commissioner of ANS	Chairman Fuketa Commissioner Tanaka

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September 17, 2018 – September 21, 2018	IAEA General Conference, bilateral meetings (NRC, U.K. Office of Nuclear Regulation (ONR), Radiation and Nuclear Safety Authority of Finland (STUK), Swedish Radiation Safety Authority (SSM), Spanish Nuclear Safety Council (CSN), Swiss Federal Nuclear Safety Inspectorate (ENSI), Institute for Radiological Protection and Nuclear Safety (IRSN, France)), and meeting of International Nuclear Regulators Association (INRA) (nuclear regulators of the U.S., the U.K., Finland, Sweden, Spain, Switzerland, and France)	Chairman Fuketa
November 26, 2018 – November 30, 2018	32nd IAEA Advisory Group on Nuclear Security (AdSec)	Commissioner Tanaka
November 27, 2018 – Nov 28, 2018	11th Top Regulators' Meeting on Nuclear Safety among China, Japan, and Korea (TRM) (Korea, Gyeongju City) Korea: Uhm Jaesik, Chairperson of Nuclear Security and Safety Commission (NSSC) China: Deputy Director Zhao of Ministry of Environmental Protection/National Nuclear Safety Administration	Commissioner Yamanaka
February 19, 2019 – February 21, 2019	Lydie Évrard, commissioner of ANS, France	Commissioner Tanaka
March 6, 2019	Stephen G. Burns, Commissioner of U.S. NRC	Chairman Fuketa

Opinion Exchanges between NRA Commissioners and Licensees' CEOs

Licensee	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Kyushu Electric Power	10/29		2/3	4/14	2/11(@Genkai) 10/26(@Sendai)	10/15
Shikoku Electric Power	11/26		3/16	7/31	12/17	4/13(@Ikata)
Kansai Electric Power		1/13	6/1	6/7		8/28
Hokkaido Electric Power		1/28	7/13	7/12		5/23
Tokyo Electric Power		2/27	4/27	2/28,7/10, 8/30,9/20	5/30	
Chubu Electric Power		3/18	7/27	12/6		9/3
Tohoku Electric Power		4/22	8/24	9/6		
Chugoku Electric Power		5/27	9/21	10/4		
Hokuriku Electric Power		6/10	10/19	11/22		
Japan Atomic Power		8/3	11/16		1/24	
JNFL		8/26	12/14		4/4	2/18
JAEA		9/30		1/11,1/31	3/7 6/30(@Tsuruga)	1/29
J-Power					8/29	
RFS						8/6

Specialized Safety Facility (SSF): Background

2013

Jul 8

Enforcement of the New Regulatory Requirements (NRA decided a five-year grace period for installation of Specialized Safety Facility (SSF).)

2016

Jan 12

Enforcement of the revised NRA Ordinance

extended the grace period (5 years from the date of enforcement of the new regulatory requirements -> 5 years from the approval date of the construction plan for main facility)

2018

May 22

574th NPP Conformity Review Meeting

NRA commissioners and Secretariat expressed a warning in public to licensees regarding the fact that their applications were submitted after one and half years have passed from the enforcement day of the revised NRA ordinance.

Oct 11

639th NPP Conformity Review Meeting

NRA commissioners and Secretariat expressed a warning in public to licensees regarding the fact that some applications have not been submitted though time has passed from the enforcement day of the revised NRA ordinance.

Oct 24

2018FY 37th NRA Commission Meeting

NRA Secretariat staff explained to NRA Chairman and Commissioners the situations regarding the status of safety review and the installation deadline.

2019

Jan 10

7th CNO meeting (Opinion exchange between the NRA Commissioners and the CNOs (Chief Nuclear Officers) of major nuclear facilities)

NRA commissioners mentioned that they would like to know the licensees' efforts towards SSF taking into account the fact that some licensees have not yet submitted the applications for installation of SSFs after the approval of the construction plans of main facilities.

Specialized Safety Facility (SSF): Background

2019

Apr 17

8th CNO meeting

The Licensees reported to the NRA that the construction of SSFs may not be completed within the grace period considering the current progress status.

Apr 24

2019FY 5th NRA Commission Meeting

The NRA confirmed the policy that it would order licensees to stop operating the NPPs if they fail to complete SSFs within the grace period.

Jun 12

2019FY 12th NRA Commission Meeting

The following procedures were decided to order the licensees to stop operating the NPPs if they fail to complete SSFs and don't pass pre-service inspections within the grace period:

- (1) An opportunity shall be given to a licensee to express an excuse for disadvantageous disposition about six weeks before the expiration of the grace period;
- (2) About one week before the expiration date of the grace period, an order to stop the use of the facility (Nuclear Regulation Act 43-3-23) shall be issued;
- (3) When the SSF passes a pre-service inspection (Nuclear Regulation Act 43-3-11), the effect of the order shall be lost.

Oct 15

2019FY 35th NRA Commission Meeting

The licensee mentioned that it was unable to complete the SSF within the grace period and therefore it would voluntarily stop operation of the NPPs starting periodic inspections before the expiration of the grace period. Then, they have plans to resume operations after the SSFs pass the pre-service inspections.

Oct 16

2019FY 36th NRA Commission Meeting

The NRA confirmed that there was no need to issue an order to stop operating NPPs when they were suspended for periodic inspections.